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CHILDREN RECEIVE AWARDS IN FIRST D.C. TALKING-BOOK ESSAY CONTEST

Prizes were awarded on Thursday, November 16, during National Children's Book Week to winners in the first talking-book essay contest to be held by the Library's Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped for blind and physically handicapped children in the District of Columbia.

The D.C. Regional Library Unit of the division planned and conducted the contest for fourth, fifth, and sixth grade pupils cooperatively with local groups. Money prizes, made possible with funds donated by the Washington Host Lions Club, went to four contestants whose essays about their respective favorite talking books were selected by a panel of four judges. Of a score of pupils participating, the winners were Ricky Barber, 3913 C St., S.E., of Sharpe Health School, first prize of 50 silver dollars for his essay about the talking book, *The Day Lincoln Was Shot* by Jim Bishop; Kathryn Ostrow, 6416 Wiscassett Rd., Bethesda, of Sidwell Friends School, second prize of a $50 U.S. Savings Bond, for her essay about *Hildy and the Cuckoo Clock* by Ruth Carlson; Robert Smith, 1100 21 St., N.E., of Sharpe Health School, third prize of a $25 U.S. Savings Bond, for his essay about *John Henry* by Ezra Jack Keats; and Valerie Jackson, 242 W St., N.W., of Mott Elementary School, fourth prize of $15 for her essay about the recorded book *Junior Miss* by Sally Ben-

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FIRST CONCERTS AT LC PLAYED ON MUSICAL CHIMES

The musical chimes that appear on the west wall of the Main Building in the 1893 photograph on page 470 of the November 3 *Information Bulletin* are no mystery. They were not used to signal workmen hauling granite blocks, as the caption suggested, but were, instead, the instruments in what undoubtedly constituted the first three public concerts ever presented from the Library of Congress.

Their music rang out over Capitol Hill from 9 to nearly 11 a.m. on Monday, September 18, 1893, to begin the Nation's day-long celebration of the centenary of the U.S. Capitol's cornerstone. On that date in 1793, President George Washington had, according

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT SLATED

The WRA Choral Society will present its annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 15, at 11:45 a.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium. The program, Christmas Around the World, will feature carols from countries around the world, among them Estonia, France, and Russia. The Chorus Director is Al Cherry of the Card Division. Hettie Prater of the Information Systems Office will give the narration. The children of some of the Chorus members, as they did last year, will accompany the group. All staff members are invited to attend.

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to contemporary accounts quoted in the *Evening Star* on the centennial day, " 'crossed the Potomac . . . and, escorted by Virginia and Maryland troops and Masonic and other civic bodies, moved in procession to Capitol Hill, and there laid the cornerstone of the national Capitol . . . .' "

Although the *Star* claimed that the anniversary program "followed as closely as possible the original ceremonies," the newspaper's several pages filled with details of the parade and the speeches indicate far more elaboration; and the chimes must have been an innovation. Nevertheless, the President–Grover Cleveland, "dressed in black,"–rode in the procession from the White House to the Capitol. He wore "a high hat and a long dark overcoat," the latter "disclosing a dark Prince Albert coat." The Cabinet followed, and military division after division marched. The streets were hung with "gay flags and bunting" and were "given over to merry makers." The Library's second concert began with the parade at 1 p.m.

The day, "ushered in by the ringing of the centennial chimes," was so perfect that the *Star*'s reporter, in a burst of amazing metaphor, proclaimed it "a triumph of modern meteorology." The "power of the sun" was so great, noted the *Star*, that the spectators who began to line the Capitol's east plaza by 11 o'clock for the 2 p.m. ceremonies hoisted "about five thousand umbrellas." Why the President wore that long overcoat on such a day is not explained, but the effects of the Library's morning concert are detailed in one of the *Star*'s many reports:

". . . The sparrows under the eaves of the Capitol found their noisy chattering outclassed by the harmonious din and beat a retreat to the Botanical Gardens. The Congressional rabbit that haunts the grounds east of the building . . . made a bee line for the western front. The old Scotch gardeners working in the grounds paused in delighted wonderment as the notes of 'Bonnie Doon' rang out. . . ."

The musicians were Professor John H. Gibson of the Metropolitan M. E. Church of Washington and Professor Paul Stoffer of St. Alphonso Church in Baltimore, who were headlined as "skillful hands." Patriotic, religious, and familiar music of the day, carefully listed by the *Star*, was played to an "interested audience," all of whom "wanted to be in a position to see the bells as well as hear them." The third concert from 6 to 7 p.m. was followed at 8 o'clock by a gaslit concert of the Marine Band and a chorus on the Capitol's east plaza.

The *Washington Post* had heralded the ceremonies on Sunday, September 17, with a front-page cartoon depicting the "Goddess of the Dome" dressed in an hour-glass gown and powdering her nose before a Victorian mirror. "Oh!" she cried, "I must look my prettiest tomorrow. I'm going to have lots of callers." On Tuesday, the *Post* reported that estimates of her callers ranged from 15 to 50 thousand but could be judged by the fact that all open space before the east front of the Capitol was filled "with a closely packed mass of humanity."

Bernard R. Green, the civil engineer who was Superintendent of Construction for the Main Building from 1888 to 1897 and the first Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds (1897-1914), had recorded on September 15 that "Chimes of 13 bells arrived from McShane Bell foundry, Baltimore, to go, by permission granted to Centennial Corner Stone Committee, on top of building. . . ." He had them hoisted onto the west main entablature of the Library's future home the next afternoon. The photograph was taken the day after the three successful concerts, and that evening Mr. Green had the chimes

lowered, to be hauled away next day "by Knox's express." Four years later, the Library's Music Division was founded; but the next concerts were held, not under its auspices, but under those of the Reading Room for the Blind, which also began with the opening of the Main Building on November 1, 1897.

[*Helen-Anne Hilker*]

DECEMBER 8 CONCERT TO FEATURE NEW WORK BY LESLIE BASSETT

On Friday evening, December 8, the McKim Fund in the Library of Congress will sponsor a concert of instrumental chamber music for violin and piano. Charles Treger, violin, and Samuel Sanders, piano, will give the premiere performance of Sounds Remembered by Leslie Bassett, commissioned by the McKim Fund. Other works to be performed on this program are Sonata in A minor, Op. 105 by Robert Schumann; and Sonata in G minor, Op. 20 by Arthur Foote.

The McKim Fund was established through a bequest of Mrs. W. Duncan McKim to support the composition and performance of chamber music for violin and piano as well as other related activities. Sounds Remembered is the fourth such commission to be performed.

The concert will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. Tickets for this concert will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G St., N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, December 4. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

This concert will be broadcast in its entirety over WETA-FM (90.9), and made available to stations in other cities through the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

HEAD OF BNB DEWEY CLASSIFICATION VISITS LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

R. Ross Trotter, Head of the Dewey Classification Section at the British National Bibliography, visited the Library of Congress from October 10 to November 24 as part of the second half of an exchange of visits between personnel of the LC Decimal Classification Division and the BNB. Mr. Trotter was returning a visit by Mrs. Melba D. Adams, Decimal Classification Specialist in Social Sciences, to the BNB earlier this year [see LC *Information Bulletin*, September 15, p. 410]. During his visit, Mr. Trotter was consulted on British requirements in the Dewey Decimal Classification and participated in both application and development of the system.

Mr. Custer, Mr. Downing, Mr. Trotter, Mrs. Adams, and the Librarian

On October 19-20, Mr. Trotter and Mrs. Adams attended the annual meeting of the Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee which was held in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Mr. Trotter's trip to the United States was made possible by grants from the BNB and Forest Press, publishers of the Dewey Decimal Classification.

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS NAMED

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son. A fifth contestant, Chris Beza, 6203 Walhonding Rd., Bethesda, of the Laboratory School of Kingsbury Center, received honorable mention for his essay about *Swiss Family Robinson* by Johann David Wyss. He and four other participants, Carla Jackson, Jon Watson, Charles R. Davis, and Sandra Smith, all of District of Columbia public schools, received book-record combinations from Mrs. Mae Porter, Supervising Director of the Diagnostic Prescription Center for the Right-to-Read program of the D.C. school system.

Robert Ennis, Head of the D.C. Regional Library Unit, presented the prizes to the winners before an audience of judges, parents of contest participants, librarians, and teachers in the conference room at division headquarters. Executive Secretary Frank Binks of the Washington Host Lions Club spoke briefly about the Lions' interest and participation in activities for the blind and visually handicapped. Mrs. Linda Redmond, Regional Library Children's Librarian, introduced the speakers and judges. The judges were Mary Harris, Reading Specialist, Perry Elementary School; Mary Ruggenbuck, Professor of Children's Literature, Catholic University; Mrs. June Sweeny, Children's Librarian, Northeast Branch of the D.C. Public Library; and Mrs. Sheila Thomas of WMAL-TV's show, "The Magic Door."

10TH YEAR OF PL-480 PROGRAM MARKED BY LUNCHEON AT LIBRARY

The tenth anniversary of the Library of Congress Special Foreign Currency (Public Law 480) Program was observed at an informal luncheon in the Whittall Pavilion on November 9. Among the guests was U.S. Representative John Dingell of Michigan, whose amendment to Public Law 83-480 enabled the Library to initiate the Program in 1962. In his brief and amusing remarks recounting the Congressional ups and downs of the amendment, Cong. Dingell paid special tribute to Mortimer Graves, Executive Director-Emeritus of the American Council of Learned Societies, who was instrumental in formulating the idea of the Program and in organizing support for it among scholars and librarians.

Dr. Graves also spoke briefly, noting that PL-480 funds are running out in several countries and urging that attention and efforts be directed to other possibilities for government funding of acquisition of foreign research publications. He assured the assembled guests that the Program's future will continue to be of major concern to him in his retirement years.

In its 10 years of operation, the PL-480 Program has acquired for LC and some 350 other U.S. libraries over 16 million monographic and serial pieces. The Program currently acquires publications from Arab Republic of Egypt, India, Ceylon, Nepal, Pakistan, Israel, and Poland.

LC BASKETBALL TEAM PLAYS FIRST GAME TONIGHT

The LC Basketball Team, sponsored by the Welfare and Recreation Association, will play the first of ten season games tonight. The season schedule for the LC Caps as announced by the D.C. Department of Recreation is as follows:

First Half		
December 1	LC vs WTI-CLIC	7 p.m.
December 8	LC vs Treasury	9 p.m.
December 15	LC vs SEC	8 p.m.
January 5	LC vs N.E. Pioneers	9 p.m.
January 12	LC vs YMCA-Vet. Cap.	8 p.m.
Second Half		
January 19	LC vs WTI-CLIC	7 p.m.
January 26	LC vs Treasury	9 p.m.
February 2	LC vs SEC	8 p.m.
February 9	LC vs N.E. Pioneers	9 p.m.
February 16	LC vs YMCA-Vet. Cap.	8 p.m.

All games will be played on Friday nights in the boys gymnasium at Western Senior High School, 35th and R Sts., N.W. The downstairs R St. entrance is recommended. No postponements will be allowed during the season.

CARPOOL PARKING PERMITS EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 29

Parking permits currently issued to carpools assigned to reserved parking spaces on streets adjacent to the Main and Annex Buildings will expire December 29.

Applications for this parking (Form LW 27/55, rev. 1/72) are available from division and department offices and should be submitted to the Administrative

The newly-appointed members of the National Serials Data Program's National Advisory Committee are (l-r) Mr. Clasquin, Mrs. Huffer, Mr. Budington, Mr. Wood, Mr. Pings, Mr. Vassallo, Mr. Byam, and Mr. Callaham.

Department Office, MB 122-B, by Friday, December 8.

Priority of assignment will be based on size of carpool membership. New parking permits will be issued for a six-month period to each qualifying carpool, effective January 2. Spaces are not numbered and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Questions regarding reserved street parking should be directed to Mrs. Jessie Lee, Administrative Department Office, ext. 5560.

NATIONAL SERIALS DATA PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT IS GIVEN

A progress report on the National Serials Data Program was given on November 14 by Paul Vassallo, Program Director, to the heads of the three national libraries and the President of the Council on Library Resources. Attending the meeting were Dr. Martin M. Cummings, Director of the National Library of Medicine; John Sherrod, Director of the National Agricultural Library; L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress; and Fred C. Cole, CLR President.

Mr. Vassallo described the Program's organization and staffing, the inputs into the data base, the essential and other data elements which are being utilized, and the assignment of the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) to a base record of serial titles.

He reported that the current inputs for the data base include aperture cards produced by the NLM which contain microfilm of serial covers and mastheads; magnetic tapes from the NLM and the NAL; and worksheets of *New Serial Titles* which have been MARC tagged and edited. In addition, information for use in developing corporate authority and holdings files will be provided by the three national libraries.

Mr. Vassallo explained that the NSDP uses the Anglo-American cataloging code in establishing author entries (issuing bodies). The Program also establishes and assignes a key title and ISSN to each serial. The Program will be capable of supplying bibliographic listings by title, issuing body, and by ISSN.

The Program is in its third and operational phase, supported by the three national libraries and a grant from CLR. Mr. Vassallo reported that publishers, abstracting and indexing services, subscription agents,

and regional library groups have indicated their willingness to cooperate.

That afternoon, Mr. Vassallo gave a similar presentation to the newly-appointed members of the Program's National Advisory Committee. The Committee, broadly representative of the various interests in the national user community, will provide the Program with a means of communication with these interests, enabling NSDP to take their needs and views into consideration.

The members are: Milton Byam, Director, District of Columbia Public Library (public libraries); William S. Budington, Executive Director and Librarian, John Crerar Library, Chicago (research libraries); John Callaham, Vice President, Editorial Services, McGraw Hill Publishing Company, New York (publishing industry); Frank F. Clasquin, Vice President, F. W. Faxon, Inc., Westwood, Mass. (subscription agents); Mrs. Mary Huffer, Director of Libraries, Office of Library Services, U.S. Department of Interior, Washington, D.C. (Federal and special libraries); Vern Pings, Director of Libraries, Wayne State University, Detroit (university libraries); James L. Wood, Director, Bibliographic Support Division, Chemical Abstracts Service, Columbus, Ohio (abstracting and indexing services).

ITALIAN NATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY SUPPLEMENT BASED ON MARC

A supplement to the *Bibliografia Nazionale Italiana,* the Italian national bibliography, prepared according to a MARC-based automation program, the ANNA Project, has been issued. In numeration it is the third supplement; the first was published in conventional form, and the second for technical reasons will appear later.

The introduction to the third supplement notes that some innovations in the style of description have been adopted on an experimental basis in order to conform to MARC and to adapt to international requirements. This and the following supplements prepared as tests have some features, such as the omission of subjects and the abbreviation of entries, which will disappear once the main bibliography is produced by automation. The author index has been expanded to an author-title index, including entries under series title. The ALA print-train has been used for the print-out; later the regular bibliography will be printed by a photocomposer which will use regular type.

The appearance of the supplement is handsome and the set-up is similar to that of a conventionally-produced bibliography.

NEW REFERENCE WORKS

The Urban Center of Columbia University has just published *Bibliografía Puertorriquena Selecta y Anotada* compiled by Enrique R. Bravo (New York. 1972. 230 p. $5). The book which is in Spanish, contains annotated entries for more than 300 works dealing with Puerto Rican government, economics, education, geography, history, sociology, literature, and religion. It lists works relevant to the contemporary Puerto Rican experience as well as earlier classic studies on Puerto Rican life. Dr. Bravo, is a specialist in Latin American history who is presently teaching in Puerto Rico.

The book can be consulted in the Latin American, Portuguese and Spanish Division's Reference Section.

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The National Library of the Socialist Republic of Serbia. The ten-year Development Programme, 1971-1980 (Belgrade. 1971. Z841.B48913) is the title of a pamphlet recently issued by the Serbian National Library. The publication describes a long-term development plan, widely discussed in Serbian cultural, educational, and library circles, for the Library, which was founded in 1932, destroyed in 1941 during World War II, reopened in 1947, and recently relocated in a new building constructed as a library.

The plan suggests that the institution, in terms of equipment, documentation, and library methods, should be raised to a level comparable to other major European libraries. According to the program, the Library is to acquire anything printed in Serbia, all books and printed publications published elsewhere in Yugoslavia, all manuscripts and publications dealing with Serbia and its nationalities, all foreign publications written by Yugoslavs or concerning Yugoslavia, and any work in any language of the Yugoslav nation. It is also to acquire major works of world science and literature, regardless of country of publication and coordinate its acquisition policy with other major libraries in Belgrade. The development program also calls for the Library to develop its author and subject catalogs and a classed catalog following the International Decimal Classification; to set up an information center for bibliographical location and research; and to produce a comprehensive

retrospective Serbian bibliography. Staff training and publishing activities in the field of cataloging, classification, and library science in general are also proposed.

Due to the scarcity of English-language materials on the Serbian National Library, this booklet has an informative value far exceeding its size. It is available for reference from the general collections of the Library of Congress.

STAFF NEWS

DEATHS OF FORMER STAFF MEMBERS

William A. Coblenz, a Library of Congress employee for 12 years until his retirement in 1965, died on November 17 at George Washington University Hospital in Washington.

Mr. Coblenz worked as a Public Affairs Specialist and Senior Writer with the Congressional Research Service from 1953 to 1965, during which time he wrote numerous reports and compiled material for Members of Congress about public issues. Notable among his products were four editions of *The Capitol,* an illustrated publication of the Congress in magazine format. He compiled, wrote, and directed a series of works on Lincoln which were performed as ceremonies on the steps of the Capitol. In 1959, the Library honored him with a Superior Service Award.

Born in Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany, in 1897, he was brought to this country as an infant and attended schools in New York City, later studying at New York University and Harvard College. He served with the U.S. Navy in both World War I and World War II. In 1945, he joined the Department of Justice where he created the idea of the Freedom Train which *Tide* magazine described as "the greatest single public relations achievement in the history of the United States Government." Mr. Coblenz was Assistant Director and later Acting Director of the Division of Public Information at the Department.

As a Boston newspaperman for 24 years, chiefly at the Boston *Post,* he had been a reporter, rewrite man, special daily and Sunday feature writer, editorial writer, radio reviewer, picture editor, and–for 15 years–daily columnist. He was also a member and chairman of many historical societies and press clubs.

His wife, Constance G., of Washington, D.C., is his only survivor.

Mrs. Mary E. Quantrille, a retired employee of the Library, died on November 14 at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital. Mrs. Quantrille was a Microfilm Photographer with the Library's Photoduplication Service for 15 years until her retirement in 1960.

Born in Boston, Mrs. Quantrille came to the Washington, D.C., area at an early age. A longtime resident of Capitol Hill, she lived in recent years in Hyattsville, Md. She was the widow of Clinton Quantrille, a Chief Systems Operator for Pepco, who died in 1957.

She is survived by two sons, Clinton A. and Richard E., and 12 grandchildren.

DEATH OF STAFF MEMBER

Rudolf Smits, Information Systems Specialist in the Serial Record Division, died suddenly at his home on November 11. Graveside services were held at Parklawn Cemetery on November 15. Among the survivors are his wife, Ilze, two children, and three grandchildren. Mrs. Ilze Smits is a Reference Librarian in the Slavic and Central European Division.

Mr. Smits was born in London and received his higher education in Latvia. He served with the American Legation in Riga from 1928 to 1934, and the Latvian Legation in Washington form 1936 to 1940.

During the course of more than 30 years of service with the Library of Congress, Mr. Smits held administrative positions with the Census Library Project, the Serial Division, and the Air Studies Division. From 1952 to 1969 he was Chief of the Cyrillic Bibliographic Project which compiled the *Monthly Index of Russian Accessions.* He also compiled *Half a Century of Soviet Serials, 1917-1968; a Bibliography and Union List of Serials Published in the USSR* which is recognized internationally by librarians and scholars engaged in Slavic studies.

At the Library, Mr. Smits will be remembered for the unflagging energy and enthusiasm he brought to every professional task, and for the unfailing kindness and good humor which marked his relationships with his fellow workers.

AWARDS

Service Awards

Edmond L. Applebaum, Assistant Director of the Acquisitions and Overseas Operations in the Processing Department, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award pin by William J. Welsh, Department Director at a surprise luncheon on November 10 attended by Mr. Applebaum's Department colleagues.

All of Mr. Applebaum's Federal service, with the exception of active military duty during World War II, has been at the Library of Congress where he began his career as a Special Recruit in 1950. He was

Mrs. Williams, John B. Henderson, Chief of the Economics Division of CRS, and Mr. Jayson.

Mrs. Yaplee and the Librarian

The Librarian and Mr. Davis

the recipient of the Margaret Mann Citation in Cataloging and Classification in June for his contribution to the successful development of LC's National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging. Additional details about this award and Mr. Applebaum's background appear in the August 4 issue of the *Information Bulletin*, p. 352.

Mrs. Evelyn C. Gibbons, Library Technician in the Copyright Office Service Division, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on October 20 by George D. Cary, Register of Copyrights.

A native of Culpeper County, Va., Mrs. Gibbons attended Eastern High School in the District of Columbia. She was employed by the Navy Department at the U.S. Naval Gun Factory from 1942-45 and 1951-54 before beginning her association with the Library of Congress in 1954 as a File Clerk in the Stack and Reader Division. She served with that Division until 1963, when she joined the Records Section of the Copyright Service Division as a Library Assistant, and was later promoted to her present position.

Four Receive Meritorious Service Awards

Wayne A. McKenney, Pamela R. Rhinesmith, and **Mrs. Barbara Williams** received Meritorious Service Awards during ceremonies held in the Librarian's office on October 17; **Mrs. Mae Yaplee** received a Meritorious Service Award on October 18.

Mr. McKenney, formerly Supervisor of the Processing Unit, Subject Specialization Section in the Library Services Division, and currently a Senior Specialist in CRS, received a Meritorious Service Award along with a cash award of $150 in recognition of his "high degree of performance . . . in the Library Services Division of the Congressional Research Service during the period of [his] employment . . . [which] led to a marked increase in the efficiency of operations." Mr. McKenney was also commended for improving "the quality and quantity of output of [the] staff to the extent that the research and reference materials in the Division's Main Files were organized in a more useful fashion for the staff of the Service."

Miss Rhinesmith, formerly an Inquiries Recorder in the Office of the Director of CRS, was mailed a Meritorious Service Award for providing "... valuable and effective service to participants in the Annual Congressional Summer Intern Program."

Mrs. Williams, Research Production Assistant in the Economics Division of CRS, accepted a Meritorious Service Award in acknowledgement of her "... imagination and initiative displayed in designing and developing a storage and mail distribution center for the Economics Division."

Mrs. Yaplee, Administrative Secretary of the Orientalia Division, was presented a Meritorious Service Award and a cash award of $150 in recognition of her work in the Division, especially during the period from October 1971 to June 1972. During this time the Division had three extended vacancies in secretarial positions during which Mrs. Yaplee "exceeded the standards of excellence which normally characterize [her] performance."

Lester S. Jayson, Director of CRS; the Librarian; Merwin C. Phelps, Chief of the Library Services Division of CRS; Mr. McKenney; and Shirley Loo, Head of the Subject Specialization Section, Library Services Division.

Incentive Award

Herbert L. Davis received an Incentive Award in a ceremony held in the Librarian's office on October 18.

Mr. Davis, Supervisor of the Study Facilities Unit in the Stack and Reader Division, was honored with an Incentive Award plus a $30 cash award for his suggestion for an improved method of recording attendance of study desk assignees. The Division has reviewed and accepted his proposed forms which will be put into effect promptly. The citation presented to Mr. Davis noted "... that proposed sign-in sheets will be more convenient for the researchers, and the Stack and Reader Division has determined that, in the course of a year, approximately 75 hours of time will be saved in keeping attendance records."

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Jean D. Allaway, International Relations Officer, was author of an article on the Jointly Sponsored Program for Foreign Librarians published in the July issue of *Special Libraries* under the title "Post Mortem." During the 15 years of the program's existence, 52 foreign librarians from 30 countries were brought to the United States for work in an American library and a month of observation and travel. The program was supported by funds from the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Library of Congress. The article describes the accomplishments of the Jointly Sponsored Program and compares it with the still-functioning Multi-National Program for Foreign Librarians, currently being administered by the Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Henriette D. Avram, Chief of the MARC Development Office, participated in meetings on content designators and character sets at the International Organization for Standardization meeting held in The Hague October 1-6.

Mrs. Berta Grossman, Head of the Hispanic Section of the Exchange and Gift Division, was interviewed by the U.S. Information Agency on November 2 for a special program scheduled in Mexico City on November 7. The discussion was about the American electoral process with special emphasis on the electoral college.

Dorothy Pennington Keziah, Head of the Music Section in the Examination Division of the Copyright Office, is the author of the article "Registration Problems Encountered by the Copyright Office under the Recent Sound Recording Ammendment," which appeared in the November 4 issue of *Cash Box.*

The article discusses problems that generally fall into five major areas: (1) misunderstanding as to the scope of protection; (2) authorship problems; (3) claimant-notice problems; (4) publication-deposit problems; and (5) new matter and fixation problems.

Francis S. Wagner, Cataloger in the Subject Cataloging Division, delivered a lecture entitled "Ethnic Coexistence in the Danube Valley—Federation in Czechoslovakia" at the Sixth Congress of the Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in America, Inc., held at George Washington University on November 11. Mr. Wagner described and analyzed the theory and workings of the country's federal system as well as the status of the four largest ethnic minorities (Hungarian, Ruthenian, Polish, and German) on the grounds of multilingual sources. A question and answer period followed his lecture.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Mrs. Heller Appointed Assistant Chief

Mrs. Adelia Heller has been appointed Assistant Chief of the Cataloging Division at the Copyright Office effective October 16. Mrs. Heller came to the Copyright Office in November 1957 and worked with the then Cumulative Section of the Cataloging Division, now the Editing and Publishing Section, becoming its Head in 1966. She was the recipient of an Incentive Award in 1961 and an Outstanding Performance Rating in 1972.

She joined the Library in March 1953, working first for the Order Division and in 1954 transferring to the Exchange and Gift Division. Before she came to the Library, she worked for the Veterans Administration.

Mrs. Heller holds a bachelor's degree in political science from George Washington University, from which she graduated in 1962. She also attended Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Ga.

Appointments: Minnie L. Barton, stack cleaner, WG-1, Bldgs, 13-100; Thomas M. Grochowski, bill digester and reference assistant, GS-7, CRS A, 4329; John Griffin Walzer, GS-1, E&G, NP; Thomas Williams, production assistant-arranger, GS-3, Cat Publ, 6-500; Marcella S. Wilson, card punch operator, GS-3, ISO, 4321.

Temporary Appointment: John C. Biehl, file clerk, GS-4, Cop Serv, NP.

Promotions: Jurmenar Brown, to secretary to the section head, GS-6, Cop Exam, 4309; Anna M. Buchanan, to section head, data preparation and verification, GS-12, MARC Ed, 4318; Edna L. Conner, Bldgs, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, S&R, 4246; Reginald J. Downs, to deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, 2-600; Colamay L. Faxio, FRD, to data collection & input clerk, GS-5, Mgmt, 4374; Mary M. Henry, to assistant chief operator, GS-5, CS, 4301; George W. Parker, CMO, to console and peripheral equipment operator, GS-5, ISO, 4320.

Transfer: Charles H. Thompson, Jr., Ord, to payroll clerk, GS-4, FMO, 4274.

Resignations: Essie A. Aytch, Photodup; Thomas P. Bradshaw, Bldgs Mgmt; Harvey A. Carlson, Photodup; Craig H. Casey, Photodup; James C. Chapman, Bldgs Mgmt; William B. Edwards, Jr., S&R; Mary A. Hildebrand, Card; Mary A. Jones, Cop Cat; Patricia A. Kolodich, CRS E; Shelley L. Linderman, CRS GGR; Joseph Oberg, Bldgs Mgmt; Ada B. Simmons, Subj Cat, Francine Spraggins, S&R; De'Ossie D. Walters, Cat Publ; Gertrude H. Weiss, Publ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy E. Robbins and **James B. Mitchell** were married on November 4 at the Chevy Chase United Presbyterian Church in Chevy Chase, Md. Mrs. Mitchell is a Public Information Specialist in the Information Office and Mr. Mitchell is a Program Analyst for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mavroukakis are the parents of a daughter, Eleni, born on November 11 at George Washington University. Mrs. Mavroukakis is a Cataloger in the Serials Cataloging Section, Serial Record Division.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Roberts are the parents of a daughter, Alexandra Sodonia, born on November 4 at the Columbia Hospital for Women. Mrs. Roberts is a bookkeeper for the P. S. Bowling and Co.; Mr. Roberts is Head of the Reference Search Section in the Copyright Office Reference Division.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Ceylon, Vol. 6, No. 3. September 1972. (pp. 29-46.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Assistant Field Director for Special Operations, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Scientific Careers (TB 72-16). October 1972. (3 p.) Compiled by J. Collins. *Metric System* (TB 72-18). October 1972. (5 p.) Compiled by Y. Y. Liu. Free upon request to the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. Vol. 63, No. 11, November 1972. (pp. 827-906.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at 45 cents this issue or $6.50 a year, domestic, and $8.25 a year, foreign (LC 30.9:63/11).

New Serial Titles-Classed Subject Arrangement. October 1972. (28 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and published monthly by the Library of Congress. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $25 a year.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication after December 31, 1949. July-September 1972. (xiii, 83 p.) October 1972 (iv, 24 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials. Supplement to the Union List of Serials, 3rd Edition. For sale by the Card Division.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication after December 31, 1949. October 1972. (iv, 24 p.) For sale by the Card Division.

New Microfilm Publications: The microfilming of the first 83 numbers (with the exception of numbers 68 and 70) of the *Biblioteca de Historia Nacional,* one of the important monographic series published under the auspices of the Academia Colombiana de Historia, Bogotá, has been completed. Individual volumes provide primary source material on the colonial period in New Granada through collections of the acts of early cabildos and viceregal documents and through the writings of early chroniclers. Pre-independence movements are represented by monographic works about the comuneros revolt of 1781 and about Antonio Nariño and Francisco de Miranda, leaders in the early revolutionary period. The first turbulent years of independence are reflected by works on a succession of congresses, conventions, and constitutions. Biographies and writings of national leaders, regional histories on important cities and provinces, and general works on topics ranging from bibliography to railroads are also among the volumes in this series.

More than 30 of these titles are listed in *Latin America: A Guide to the Historical Literature,* edited by Charles C. Griffin and recently published for the Conference on Latin American History by the University of Texas Press. The individual authors and titles of the works in this series will be listed separately in the 1971 issue of the *National Register of Microform Masters.*

Positive 35mm microfilm of the 81 titles on 60 reels can be supplied for $440. The cost for individual titles can be supplied upon request. Orders or letters of inquiry should be addressed to Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Department C-171, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The Library of Congress in cooperation with the University of Iowa is making available 35mm positive microfilm of *La Marcha,* a liberal intellectual weekly published in Montevideo, Uruguay, for the period of 1939-1968. The weekly is directed by Carlos Quijano and foreign political correspondents include Gregorio Selser (Argentina), Juan Garciá Grau (Spain), James Petras (United States), and Manuel Maldonado Denis (Puerto Rico). Leading critics and commentators have been and continue to be major contributors to *La Marcha*'s literature and arts section.

The cost for this title including spools, boxes, and mailing is 1939-1946 (8 reels), $135; 1947-1962 (12 reels), $220; 1963-1968 (6 reels), $120. Cost for the entire set on 26 reels is $475. Orders or letters of inquiry should be addressed to the Photoduplication Service, Department C-169.

Press Release: No. 72-82 (November 16) Poets Samuel Allen and Ned O'Gorman to Read at Library of Congress.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 2022-2, page 2 (November 9) revised the section concerning recognition of employee organizations by the Library; no. 411-1, page 2 (November 16) clarified priorities in cataloging within cataloging levels.

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

ARBC Considers Future Role

Members of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission met in Washington, D.C., on November 15 to consider the future role of the Commission and

to review the fiscal 1974 budget estimates.

The following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission is directed by Public Law 89-491 to plan, encourage, develop and coordinate the commemoration of the American Revolution Bicentennial; and,

WHEREAS, the law imposes a duty upon the Commission to prepare an overall program for commemorating the Bicentennial, and to make recommendations for activities by the public and private authorities and organizations recommended for participation by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission to be relieved of management, administrative and operational responsibilities in order to direct its energies to policy, inspirational and coordinating functions:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission meeting as a group deems it to be in the public interest that the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission undertake an active role in initiating and stimulating overall programs to be operated by public and private authorities and organizations. It shall be the policy of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission to assume operational responsibility for a particular program only when specifically approved by the Congress. The American Revolution Bicentennial Commission shall seek actively to enlist the expertise of such qualified public and private authorities and organizations in operating approved American Revolution Bicentennial Commission programs."

Proposed projects under the headings of "Heritage '76," "Festival U.S.A.," "Horizons '76," and special and international projects and the budget necessary to support these and other Commission activities were reviewed in detail. It was agreed, after full discussion, that revision of the budget was necessary. Members will send specific suggestions for changes and the ARBC staff will revise both the budget and the justifications for further consideration by the Commission.

The Assistant Librarian of Congress, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Hamer, LC's representative on the Commission, and James H. Hutson, LC's Coordinator of the Bicentennial Programs, attended the all-day meeting at the Statler-Hilton.

NCLIS Holds Hearing at LC

The National Commission on Libraries and Information Science held the third in a series of regional public hearings to determine present and future needs of libraries and information services on the national and local levels.

Held on Friday, October 27, in the Wilson Room of the Library of Congress, this special one-day hearing allowed Commission members to hear testimony from representatives of national organizations. Those tesifying were: Allie Beth Martin, Public Library Association; Robert W. Gibson, Jr., Council of National Library Associations; Henry Chauncey, EDUCOM, Interuniversity Communications Council, Inc.; Ronald F. Miller, New England Board of Higher Education (NELINET); Marcus A. McCorison, Independent Research Libraries; Alice D. Ball, U.S. Book Exchange; John Sherrod and Kurt Cylke, Federal Library Committee; John C. Frantz, National Book Committee; and William T. Knox, National Technical Information Service.

The Commission's fourth public hearing held in San Francisco on Wednesday, November 29.

NAL Associates to Aid Foreign Students

The Associates of the National Agricultural Library, Inc., a new organization actively dedicated to fostering interest in the national and international programs of the National Agricultural Library, has received a one-year, $5,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation to aid foreign agriculturally-oriented scholars, trainees, and students in the library and information sciences who are studying in the United States. The grant will enable visiting scholars to attend professional library meetings, seminars, and workshops by providing the required funds for travel and per diem expenses.

Further details and information may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Professional Activities Fund, The Associates NAL, Inc., 10301 Baltimore Blvd., Beltsville, Md. 20705.

VA Holds Conference for Field Librarians

Henry J. Gartland, Director of Library Service at the Veterans Administration, welcomed field librarians to a November 16-17 Library Educational Conference "Winds of Change," by noting that recent changes in service patterns and related staff responsibilities have placed new demands on librarians serving institutionalized persons. Claudia Wisniewski, Cicely Phippen, and Carstine Harner of the VA's Central Office Library arranged and moderated the conference.

On Thursday morning, Dr. Lyndon E. Lee, Jr., Assistant Chief Medical Director for Professional Services, commented on the library's role in the VA system and Mr. Gartland followed with a description of the VA library network. Allen J. Sprow, Adminis-

trative Librarian for machine applications, discussed the use of audio visuals and microforms in institutional library programs. Dr. Thomas B. Stage talked about ambulatory care.

Dr. Edwin W. Tucker, Acting Director of the Alcohol and Drug Dependence Service, spoke about "The Trip Back," noting ways in which a library could assist in drug treatment programs, and discussed the added responsibility the librarian assumes in such a program. Dr. Tucker said that librarians should not "judgementialize," pontificate, moralize, or offer medical treatment to the veteran. Instead, he said, librarians must listen, refer, offer nonjudgmental materials, and "recognize the positive value that individuals assign to drugs."

Marvin Poindexter, Project Coordinator of the Administrator's Committee on Youth, discussed hospital youth group activities and Clair R. Tedesco, Chief of the Central Office Library, gave a description of the VA Central Office as a field resource.

On Friday, the group toured the National Library of Medicine. An afternoon discussion on the topic "Getting It All Together," led by Hazel Austin, Assistant Director of Library Service, provided an explanation of the policies, procedures, and operations of the VA library system. [*Frank Kurt Cylke*]

Mid-Atlantic Regional Archivists Meet

The first semi-annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archivists Conference was attended by 150 archivists and manuscript curators from seven Mid-Atlantic states and the District of Columbia. The organization, whose steering committee first met on June 23, is aimed at junior and midlevel staff members of any institution in the seven state and D.C. area with records or personal papers in its care. Participants at the meeting, which was held in Wilmington, Del. on October 13-14, included curators, archivists, and librarians from state and county historical societies, industry, religious institutions, community and state colleges, university special collections, and State and Federal archives.

The sessions consisted of four two-hour meetings on cataloging, handling of photographs and related materials, college archives, and aid to the researcher, and 20 one-hour workshops covering a range of topics from in-house microfilming to archivist-historian relations. A six-member program committee—Arthur Breton, Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution; Gladys M. Coghlan, Historical Society of Delaware; Robert Devlin, Federal Records Center, Philadelphia; Joseph Ernst, Rockefeller Family and Associates; Oscar Fields, Howard University; and Michael Plunkett, University of Virginia—prepared the program entirely on the basis of results from a questionnaire distributed in July to the organization's potential membership. No formal papers or panels were presented. Discussion leaders, who served as moderators for the sessions, were chosen from the staffs of institutions in the region. Participants in the workshops indicated on a questionnaire distributed at the meeting that the open discussion format was useful and asked for even more specific help in the application of archival principles to their own work.

An organizational meeting held Friday evening, October 13, was presided over by conference cochairwomen Mary Boccaccio, University of Maryland, and Elsie Freivogel, Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution. Participants elected an eight-member ad hoc steering committee to be chaired by Peter Silverman, Temple University, Philadelphia, which will serve until the spring session scheduled for May 4-5 in Baltimore. At a second business meeting on Saturday, October 14, the question of affiliation with the Society of American Archivists was discussed. A resolution declining any formal connection at this time, subject to the development of MARAC's own program, was approved.

Questions regarding membership should be directed to Nancy Zembala, Acting Treasurer, Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560. [*Anita Nolen*]

Proceedings of Canadian Group Meeting Issued

The proceedings of the 27th Annual Conference of the Canadian Library Association held in Regina, Saskatchewan, on June 10-16 have been published. Entitled *Proceedings*, the publication includes the conference program as well as section, committee, and general meeting reports. It also contains a report, edited by B. Stuart-Stubbs, on the Books in Canada 1972 symposium which provided a survey of current developments in Canadian authorship, book production and distribution, and their relationship to library activities. The publication is available for $4.75 from CLA, 151 Sparks St., Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1P5E3.

Articles Comparing LC, ILO Policies Published

The International Labor Organization is publishing a series of articles comparing the administrative practices of ILO and the Library of Congress in its new *ILO Staff Union Bulletin*. Information concerning the Library's policies on such topics as classification and

leave has been taken from articles published in the LC *Information Bulletin.*

"Training in the ILO and the U.S. Library of Congress" by Edgar Johnson, appearing in the July-August 1972 issue, is the third in the series, and includes a discussion of orientation, clerical and office services, supervisory training, and technical training.

Gest Library Moves to New Facilities

Princeton University's internationally-known Gest Oriental Library has moved to modern, expanded facilities in Palmer Hall on the Princeton campus. Housed for the past 24 years in increasingly-cramped quarters in the Harvey S. Firestone Memorial Library, the Gest collection has been re-opened to readers on the second and third levels of Palmer Hall where it occupies two and one-half times its former space. The Gest Library offers open-stack access to books in the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean languages. The collection numbers more than 250,000 volumes and is most noted for its rare editions.

SLA Publishes Planning Guide for Libraries

The Special Libraries Association has announced the publication of *Planning the Special Library,* a reference guide to aid librarians, administrators, architects, planners, and consultants in the planning and design of a library. Edited by Ellis Mount and compiled from a series of papers presented at a seminar entitled "Blueprint for the '70's," sponsored by the New York Chapter of SLA, the guide describes and illustrates all aspects of the planning process.

Copies of the 128-page guide are available from the SLA, Order Department, 235 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10003 for $7.50 each.

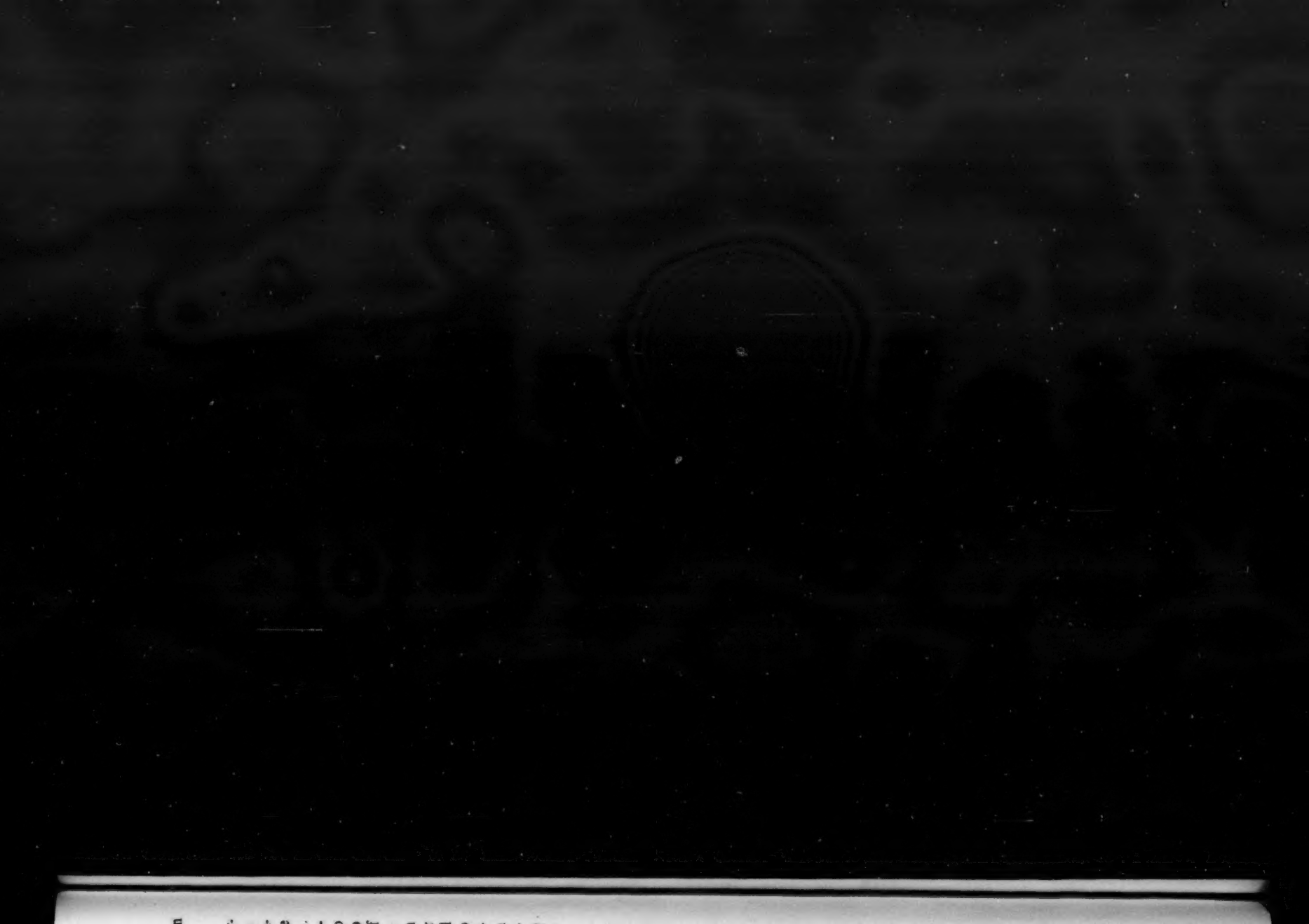
Davidson, Hampden-Sydney Colleges Receive Grants

The Council on Library Resources and the National Endowment for the Humanities have awarded $50,000 matching grants to Davidson and Hampden-Sydney colleges under the CLR-NEH joint College Library Program, a five-year program to recognize the library's crucial role in innovative study projects currently being introduced on college campuses.

Davidson's Extended Studies Program began operation a year ago and requires each student to complete a special project during each year of his enrollment. The grant will enable the college to hire a Coordinator of Library Resources for Extended Studies to assist the students with their reference work and to advise faculty and students on the practicality of their projects.

Hampden-Sydney's independent study program dates back to 1970, resulting in an increase in their need for library materials and staff. The grant will enable the college to hire a reference librarian to work with students and faculty involved in the program and also to secure an eminent librarian each summer during the five-year program to offer a week-long course on the use of the library and reference materials.

Southeastern States to Conduct Library Survey

The Southeastern Library Association has announced plans for a two-year survey of libraries in nine Southeastern States to help formulate objectives for future library use and development in the region. Association President W. Porter Kellam reports that the survey will repeat a landmark study conducted in 1946-47, the first of its kind in the Nation, which established major objectives and approaches for libraries in the Southeast. The new 1972-74 survey is designed to measure trends and growth in library service since that time, and to provide data needed in State and regional planning for library development.

The new survey will be carried out by the Georgia Tech Research Institute. Each of the nine member States has appointed a State advisory committee, representing all phases of State library activities, to work with Mr. Kellam, director of the survey. Inquiries concerning the survey should be sent to Mary Edna Anders, Executive Director, Southeastern States Cooperative Library Survey, Engineering Experiment Station, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga. 30332.